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## **MEDIA ADVISORY:**

## First Infantry Division Artillery to host change of command ceremony

FORT RILEY, Kan. – The 1st Infantry Division Artillery will host a change of command ceremony at 10 a.m. Sept. 22 on Fort Riley's Cavalry Parade Field.

Col. Thomas R. Bolen will relinquish command to Col. Rory A. Crooks after nearly two years in command of DIVARTY. Bolen has been leading the DIVARTY since its reactivation in October 2015.

Bolen will now go to Fort Leavenworth, Kansas, to serve as the assistant deputy commandant of the Command and General Staff College.

Crooks comes to DIVARTY from the U.S. Army War College, where he served as the director of the International Fellows Program.

DIVARTY was one of 10 artillery units reactivated throughout the Army in 2015. The unit inactivated 10 years prior when the 1<sup>st</sup> Inf. Div. was headquartered in Germany.

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Media interested in attending the ceremony should contact the 1st Infantry Division Public Affairs Office at (785) 240-1796 or via email at jason.p.roberts22.ctr@mail.mil. The deadline to RSVP is noon, Sept. 21.

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